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TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)

SUBJECT: PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT DURING
THE MONROVIA STOP

1. WE EXPECT THAT PRESIDENT WILL MAKE ARRIVAL AND
DEPARTURE STATEMENTS AS WELL AS A LUNCHEON TOAST AT
MONROVIA. EMBASSY SHOULD PREPARE A DRAFT FOR EACH EVENT
AND CABLE TEXTS TO DEPARTMENT BY MARCH 3.

2. THEMES TO BE EMPHASIZED IN STATEMENTS SHOULD INCLUDE
HISTORIC U.S.-LIBERIA CONNECTIONS, U.S. ASSISTANCE TO
LIBERIA, AND PRESIDENT TOLBERT'S ROLE AS A LEADING AFRICAN
STATESMAN.

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3. AVOID FIRST-PERSON USAGE AND INCLUDE RELEVANT
HISTORICAL AND BACKGROUND FACTS WHICH WOULD BE OF USE
TO THE PRESIDENT AND HIS SPEECHWRITERS.

4. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE POST'S SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW
RECENT OBASANJO-TOLBERT MEETINGS IN MONROVIA COULD BE USED

AS A THEME IN PRESIDENT'S MEETINGS AND STATEMENTS IN BOTH
COUNTRIES.

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